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SHREDDED TOBACCO SUPPLY APPARATUS OF CIGARETTE

MANUFACTURING MACHINE

LARGE ENTITY TRANSMITTAL FORM

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Responsive to the February 24, 2003 Office Action, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following paragraph after the paragraph ending on page 6, line 26:

--Further scope of the applicability of the present invention will become apparent from the detailed description given hereinafter. However, it should be understood that the detailed description and specific examples, while indicating preferred embodiments of the invention, are given by way of illustration